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ACTION ARA-20

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FM AMCONSUL CURACAO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1951

INFO AMCONSUL MARTINIQUE

AMEMBASSY CARACAS

AMCONSUL PARAMARIBO

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

COMCARIBSEAFRON

AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, PINS, NA

SUBJECT: TENSE SITUATION CONTINUES ON ST MAARTEN

FOR ARA/CAR WAUCHOPE AND BURKE

REF: CURACAO 420

1. THE SITUATION CONTINUES TO BE TENSE ON ST MAARTEN.  
THERE HAS BEEN NO RIOTING BUT UNREST CONTINUES. PRIME  
MINISTER J.M.G. (JUANCHO) EVERTSZ HAS CANCELLED HIS TRIP  
TO SANTO DOMINGO FOR THE INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT  
BALAGUER IN ORDER TO MONITOR THE SITUATION.

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2. IN ADDITION TO POLICE REENFORCEMENTS, CXE GAN#HAS SENT MINISTER OF JUSTICE E.J. (WATY) VOS AND ATTORNEY GENERAL L.R. NAHR TO ST MAARTEN TO CONTINUE THE INVESTIGATION OF THE FIRE THAT RAZED THE LT GOVERNOR'S HOUSE. LABOR MINISTER R.F. MCWILLIAM AND TRANSPORTATION MINISTER VOGES, A NATIVE OF THE WINDWARD ISLANDS, HAVE ALSO BEEN SENT IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING CALM TO THE ISLAND. MEANWHILE, WILLY HAIZE REMAINS IN JAIL PENDING THE OUTCOME OF THE INVESTIGATION. HAIZE IS

UNDERSTOOD TO HAVE THREATENED LT GOV VAN DELDEN ON THE DAY OF THE FIRE, BUT THE NETHERLANDS ANTILLES SECURITY SERVICE (NASS) BELIEVES HE WILL HAVE TO BE RELEASED SOON IF HARD EVIDENCE CANNOT BE FOUND DIRECTLY LINKING HIM WITH THE FIRE.

3. HAIZE'S SUPPORTER HAVE NOT BEGUN DEMONSTRATIONS SO FAR. THE POTENTIAL FOR CONFRONTATION BETWEEN HIS SUPPORTERS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT STILL EXISTS.

4. THE FIRE NOT ONLY DESTROYED THE GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE BUT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF THE WINDWARD ISLANDS INCLUDING THE OFFICES OF LT GOV VAN DELDEN AND SENATOR WATHEY. THE

FUTURE OPERATION OF THE ISLAND GOVERNMENT WILL BE SERIOUSLY HAMPERED BY THE DESTRUCTION OF TAX, IMMIGRATION, VITAL STATISTICS AND MOST OTHER GOV'T RECORDS.  
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